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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: REPORTS THAT TRIAL OF MRS. SLEPAK IMMINENT

1. DEPARTMENT WILL NO DOUBT HAVE SEEN AP REPORT
DATED JULY 21 INDICATING THAT MARIYA SLEPAK HAS BEEN
TOLD SHE WILL BE TRIED JULY 26 FOR MALICIOUS HOOLIGANISM.
A USUALLY WELL-INFORMED REFUSENIK SOURCE TOLD EMBOFF
IN TELCON JULY 22 THAT REFUSENIKS WERE NOT COMPLETELY
CERTAIN THAT TRIAL DATE HAD BEEN SET, SINCE THERE WAS
SOME CONFUSION BOTH ABOUT EXACTLY WHAT MRS. SLEPAK
HAD BEEN TOLD DURING VISIT TO COURTHOUSE JULY 21,
AND ABOUT AUTHORITATIVENESS OF INFORMATION SHE WAS
GIVEN.

2. AP STORY LOOKS AUTHORITATIVE TO US, BUT MRS.
SLEPAK HAS BEEN UNDER GREAT STRAIN LATELY AND MAY HAVE
OVER-REACTED TO COMMENT BY COURTHOUSE OFFICIALS. WE
PLAN TO RECHECK WITH REFUSENIK SOURCES PRIOR TO JULY
26 AND TO SEND EMBOFF TO SCENE OF TRIAL IF IT OCCURS.
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